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Section 4 to Section 7 to electric cooperatives or electric membership corporations. That would conclude my opening on the amendment. I'd be try to...I'd be glad to try and answer any questions. In my mind, the amendment is not controversial or I would have told you so.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. You've heard the opening on AM2328, which are the committee amendments to LB 969. Open for discussion on those amendments. Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Vrtiska, Hartnett, and Janssen. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, my intent is not to make this amendment controversial, so my question is designed to bring me information, because this is a new area for me. Senator Schrock, would you turn to page 3 of the committee amendment?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Let's see if I can find that here.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: After page 2, before page 4.

SENATOR SCHROCK: (Laugh) There you go.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Okay, I've got it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I wanted to give you time because I saw you flipping forth. Now, Senator Schrock, this is where the law is being changed. The current law would not allow what this bill is attempting to do, so the language which says, "in no event shall anything herein be deemed to authorize," that is being stricken. Then the new language says, unless specifically contracted otherwise by written agreement, no city shall do this. So this new language would allow this city to do by contract what is now mandated by the statute. Correct?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes.